



Dear School Community,

Thanks to the popularity of the DASH (Dynamic After-School Hours) Program, we are again expecting there to be a <u>high</u> demand for the limited number of slots. If you are planning to enroll your child in the DASH Program for the 05-06 school year, please be aware of the following procedures:

- There will NOT be a DASH Program on the first day of school. This day is reserved for enrollment only. DASH will begin operation on the second day of school.
- Children who have attended DASH in the past will NOT be automatically reenrolled, nor do they receive priority.
- Numbered application packets for the '05-'06 school year will be distributed by <u>DASH Leaders only</u> on the first day of school, **immediately after school is dismissed,** on a first come first served basis. At some schools, parents begin lining up well before distribution time. We regret that this forces many to wait in line for a long period of time. Please understand that the vast majority of DASH staff work and/or go to school in the mornings, and are unavailable to conduct DASH business in the morning hours.
- One application is required per child. Parents will <u>not</u> be permitted to pick up enrollment forms for anyone other than their own child(ren). Children may only pick up the forms for themselves and/or siblings. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend in person.
- Any application not returned within two days will lose its numerical ranking.
 Applications must be returned to the DASH Leaders directly, not to school staff.
- The first 75 applications to be distributed will be guaranteed placement in the program. Our staffing levels allow the daily enrollment to be approximately 50 students per day. Applications numbered 76 100 will be placed on a priority waiting list. Parents will be notified of acceptance as quickly as possible, once the usage patterns at individual schools have been established. If you receive an enrollment packet numbered above 75, you will need to wait until your DASH Leader contacts you before starting to send your child(ren) to DASH.

Thank you for your cooperation.